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The Report of The

Chief Electoral Officer

On The

Edmonton-Strathcona By-election

Held

Monday, December 17, 1990

Province of Alberta

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Mr. Bob Bogle, Chairman
Standing Committee
on Legislative Offices
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Dear Mr. Bogle:

I have the privilege to enclose herewith the Report of the Chief Electoral Officer concerning the Edmonton-Strathcona By-election, which was held on Monday, December 17, 1990, inclusive of data pertaining to the Special Enumeration that was required in preparation for the By-election.

This Report is submitted pursuant to the provisions of Section 4(3) of the Election Act.

Should you require clarification on anything contained in this Report, or additional information, I would be pleased to respond.

Yours respectfully,

P D Ledgerwood

Patrick D. Ledgerwood
Chief Electoral Officer

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Edmonton-Strathcona By-election Report

Introduction

A vacancy in the Electoral Division of Edmonton-Strathcona was created by the death of the MLA, Mr. Gordon Wright, on October 18, 1990.

The resulting By-election was held pursuant to the provisions of the Election Act, Chapter E-2 of the Revised Statutes of Alberta, 1980, with amendments up to and including August 18, 1989. The electoral division boundary as described in the Schedule to the Electoral Divisions Amendment Act, proclaimed April 10, 1986, was used at this By-election.

Special Enumeration

A comparison of the existing List of Electors for this Electoral Division, being the list that evolved from the Provincial General Election of March 20, 1989, in consideration of a City of Edmonton census conducted in April 1990, established that there appeared to be a significant increase in potential electors over the period. Coupled with normal in-and-out movements and relocations within the Electoral Division, the existing List of Electors was considered as potentially in error by as much as 5,000 electors; such an error would not provide a usable basis for either the administrative or the political need during the By-election. Therefore, in accordance with the provisions of Section 35 of the Election Act, the Chief Electoral Officer directed that a Special Enumeration be held in the Electoral Division of Edmonton-Strathcona in the period November 22 through November 30, 1990.

Accordingly, the electoral map was revised prior to the enumeration, relative to the 1989 General Election experience. The normal period of Enumeration Revisions was deferred in favour of the Revisions Period associated with the election process.

Information concerning the Special Enumeration was published twice in the two Edmonton daily newspapers and once in two papers with circulation in the Edmonton-Strathcona area, during the period November 15 to 19, 1990.

The Special Enumeration resulted in 18,294 electors voluntarily placing their names on the Lists. While this number was short of the potential number expected, the associated population shift confirmed the essential need for the enumeration.

For the first time in Alberta's electoral history, the Lists of Electors evolving from an enumeration were produced in electronic format (floppy diskette) as well as printed in hard copy.

The total cost to conduct this Special Enumeration was $49,349., a Summary of which appears on Page 8.

By-election

By order of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, a Writ of Election, dated November 19, 1990, was issued by the Chief Electoral Officer to the Returning Officer, Mr. Henry Harder, pursuant to Section 36 of the Election Act.

Nomination Day was December 3, 1990 and Polling Day was December 17, 1990. Five candidates, each registered under the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, were nominated to contest this By-election. Advance Polls were held at two locations in the Electoral Division on December 13th, 14th and 15th. Eight Treatment Centre Polls were conducted at four locations on Polling Day, December 17, 1990.

The Returning Officer announced the Official Results on December 27, 1990. Mr. Barrie Chivers was declared duly elected. The Writ of Election together with the Returning Officer's Certificate and Return, confirming Mr. Chivers' election, were returned to the Chief Electoral Officer on December 27, 1990. No appeal for a judicial recount, or from any decision of the Returning Officer concerning any of the ballots, was applied for pursuant to Section 142 of the Election Act.

The Chief Electoral Officer arranged for the publication of the By-election Return in the January 31, 1991 issue of the Alberta Gazette.

Nomination deposits were forfeited by 4 of the 5 candidates. The forfeited deposits, totalling $400.00, were paid through the Chief Electoral Officer to the Provincial Treasurer for deposit to the General Revenue Fund.

A Summary of Results indicating the total votes obtained by each candidate and a Statement of Results by Poll are presented on Pages 4 and 5. A Map of the Electoral Division of Edmonton-Strathcona which displays numbered polling subdivisions, is included at Pages 6 and 7.

The total cost to conduct this By-election was $55,201., a Summary of which appears on Page 9.

Registered Candidates are required to file By-election Campaign Period Financial Statements with the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer, not later than March 18, 1991. This information, which pertains to candidates' election expenses, will be published in the Edmonton daily newspapers in accordance with Section 3(1)(d) of the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act.

Registered Political Parties, who participated, must file audited Financial Statements, not later than June 17 , 1991. These Financial Statements will list contributions, receipts, transfers of funds/materials and expenditures concerning the campaigns. In accordance with Section 10 of the Election Finances and Contributions Disclosure Act, all Financial Statements will be available for inspection in the Public Records maintained by the Chief Electoral Officer and pertinent data from each will be published in the 14th Annual Report of the Chief Electoral Officer in August 1991.

Overview of Results

Candidate Political Affiliation *(Elected)	Valid Ballots Received	Percentage of Valid Ballots
Robert J. **ALFORD** Alberta Social Credit Party	224	2.40
* Barrie **CHIVERS** Alberta New Democrats	4,927	52.76
Betty **PASCHEN** Alberta Greens	424	4.54
Nadene **THOMAS** Alberta Liberal Party	2,252	24.11
Eric **YOUNG** Alberta Progressive Conservative	1,512	16.19
Total Valid Ballots Counted	9,339	

- Total Names on Lists of Electors 19,252
- Total Valid Ballots Counted 9,339
- Total Ballots Rejected 24
- Total Ballots Cast 9,363
- Voter Turnout 48.6%

Electoral Division of Edmonton-Strathcona

Statement of Results

POLL NUMBER	NAME OF POLL	ALFORD Robert J. SC	*CHIVERS Barrie NDP	PASCHEN Betty AC	THOMAS Nadene LIB	YOUNG Eric PC	NAMES ON LIST	VALID BALLOTS	REJECTED BALLOTS	BALLOTS CAST	% VOTER TURNOUT
1	Rutherford School	7	59	3	58	19	258	146	0	146	56.6
2	Rutherford School	5	48	4	39	15	271	111	0	111	41.0
3	Rutherford School	3	42	3	23	8	214	79	0	79	36.9
4	Strathearn Elem. J.H.S.	10	62	3	39	31	286	145	0	145	50.7
5	Strathearn Elem. J.H.S.	2	49	3	24	11	176	89	1	90	51.1
6	Strathearn Elem. J.H.S.	0	80	7	32	19	293	138	0	138	47.1
7	Rutherford School	3	31	1	56	14	204	105	0	105	51.5
8	Rutherford School	6	95	6	51	24	353	182	1	183	51.8
9	Bonnie Doon Community Hall	2	91	5	48	14	349	160	1	161	46.1
10	Strathearn Elem. J.H.S.	4	89	6	23	18	294	140	0	140	47.6
11	Strathearn Elem. J.H.S.	3	62	3	22	8	256	98	0	98	38.3
12	Strathearn Elem. J.H.S.	2	53	4	19	3	255	81	0	81	31.8
13	Rutherford School	4	82	7	68	11	314	172	1	173	55.1
14	Bonnie Doon Community Hall	1	65	3	46	18	270	133	0	133	49.3
15	Bonnie Doon Community Hall	6	40	0	41	19	207	106	0	106	51.2
16	Montgomery Legion Place	20	71	5	60	43	310	199	0	199	64.2
17	Bonnie Doon Community Hall	3	47	5	43	19	215	117	0	117	54.4
18	Cloverdale Community Hall	3	99	7	27	12	278	148	0	148	53.2
19	Moravian Church	0	75	16	20	15	236	126	0	126	53.4
20	Moravian Church	2	81	6	12	18	323	119	0	119	36.8
21	Moravian Church	1	75	6	30	27	315	139	0	139	44.1
22	Moravian Church	4	77	7	29	21	289	138	1	139	48.1
23	Moravian Church	0	110	14	21	21	338	166	1	167	49.4
24	Cloverdale Community Hall	3	101	5	12	27	342	148	0	148	43.3
25	Our Lady Queen of Poland Ch.	7	81	6	24	21	314	139	0	139	44.3
26	Our Lady Queen of Poland Ch.	4	107	5	26	20	366	162	0	162	44.3
27	Our Lady Queen of Poland Ch.	1	86	4	27	15	349	133	0	133	38.1
28	Strathcona Community League	4	90	4	27	34	319	159	0	159	49.8
29	Strathcona Community League	2	72	8	42	18	320	142	1	143	44.7
30	Strathcona Community League	0	67	5	31	17	246	120	0	120	48.8
31	Strathcona Community League	2	39	4	30	22	256	97	1	98	38.3
32	Queen Alexandra School	0	98	5	25	9	370	137	0	137	37.0
33	Old Scona Academic H.S.	0	68	6	27	11	279	112	0	112	40.1
34	Old Scona Academic H.S.	1	82	10	38	30	276	161	0	161	58.3
35	Queen Alexandra School	5	57	9	28	6	245	105	0	105	42.9
36	Old Scona Academic H.S.	2	98	10	27	9	337	146	0	146	43.3
37	Old Scona Academic H.S.	2	61	10	34	29	321	136	1	137	42.7
38	Strathcona Community League	2	50	2	30	15	238	99	0	99	41.6
39	Queen Alexandra School	1	80	15	34	11	317	141	0	141	44.5
40	Queen Alexandra School	2	99	11	55	11	370	178	0	178	48.1
41	Old Scona Academic H.S.	7	94	4	34	17	387	156	0	156	40.3
42	Old Scona Academic H.S.	0	71	3	21	14	341	109	1	110	32.3
43	St. Joseph's Aux. Hospital	5	69	7	15	10	235	106	0	106	45.1
44	St. Joseph's Aux. Hospital	4	86	2	38	9	289	139	1	140	48.4
45	Garneau Elementary School	3	100	10	40	19	378	172	0	172	45.5
46	St. Joseph's Aux. Hospital	3	71	7	18	20	311	119	0	119	38.3
47	St. Joseph's Aux. Hospital	2	79	5	30	11	342	127	0	127	37.1
48	Garneau Elementary School	1	39	2	32	10	253	84	0	84	33.2
49	Garneau Community Hall	0	62	8	19	12	233	101	0	101	43.3
50	Garneau Community Hall	3	68	6	47	28	305	152	2	154	50.5
51	Garneau Community Hall	0	72	6	37	8	289	123	1	124	42.9
52	Garneau Elementary School	3	71	4	26	28	378	132	1	133	35.2
53	Garneau Elementary School	3	67	9	27	35	414	141	0	141	34.1
54	Garneau Community Hall	2	60	3	15	9	218	89	0	89	40.8
55	Garneau Community Hall	2	41	6	18	36	312	103	0	103	33.0

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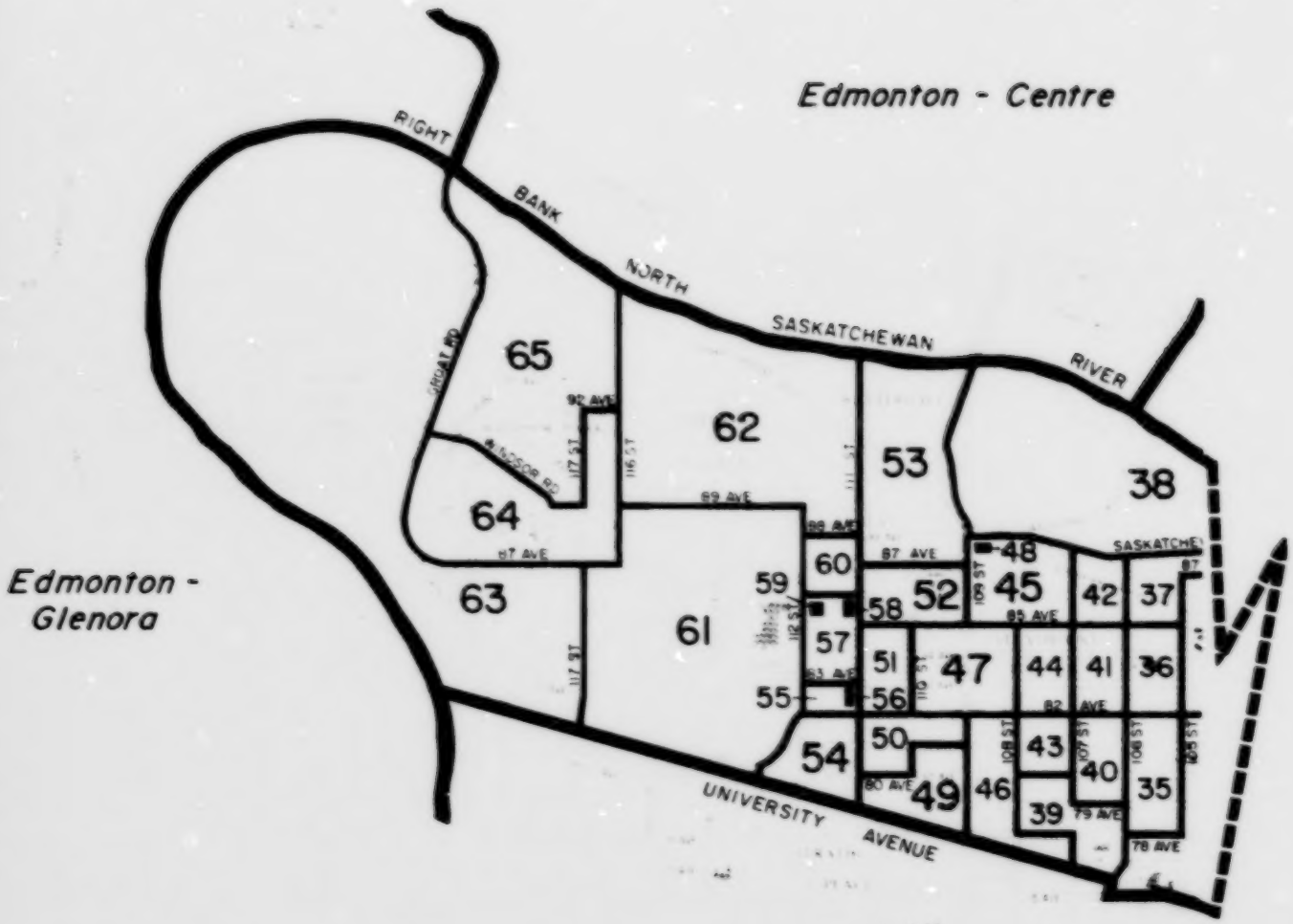
56	Garneau Community Hall	0	45	6	24	24	420	99	0	99	23.6
57	Garneau Elementary School	2	24	1	15	4	147	46	0	46	31.3
58	Garneau Elementary School	1	43	4	21	19	342	88	1	89	26.0
59	Hub Mall U. of A.	1	56	0	20	36	354	113	0	113	31.9
60	Hub Mall U. of A.	2	38	3	16	9	207	68	0	68	32.9
61	Lister Hall U. of A.	11	75	33	94	82	530	295	0	295	55.7
62	Hub Mall U. of A.	1	36	3	31	11	170	82	0	82	48.2
63	Windsor Park Elem. School	2	96	10	26	56	254	190	0	190	74.8
64	Windsor Park Elem. School	3	88	8	24	61	240	184	0	184	76.7
65	Windsor Park Elem. School	2	99	12	48	73	334	234	0	234	70.1
66	Adv.-St. Thomas Aquinas Sch.	5	83	5	49	9	0	151	0	151	
67	Advance-Garneau Comm. Hall	6	137	8	32	54	0	237	0	237	
68	T.C. St. Josephs Hospital	9	17	0	11	14	0	51	0	51	
69	T.C. Colonel Newburn Hosp.	3	14	1	13	13	0	44	0	44	
70	T.C. Aberhart/W.W.Cross Hosp	1	10	0	8	8	0	27	0	27	
71	T.C. Walter MacKenzie Hosp.	1	3	0	2	2	0	8	0	8	
72	T.C. Walter MacKenzie Hosp.	1	6	0	4	0	0	11	0	11	
73	T.C. Walter MacKenzie Hosp.	1	16	2	12	18	0	49	0	49	
74	T.C. Walter MacKenzie Hosp.	2	7	1	6	6	0	22	0	22	
75	T.C. Walter MacKenzie Hosp.	3	8	1	3	3	0	18	0	18	
76	Incapacitated/Absentee	0	57	1	28	31	0	117	8	125	
	TOTAL	**224**	**4927**	**424**	**2252**	**1512**	**19252**	**9339**	**24**	**9363**	**48.6**

Electoral Division of Edmonton-Strathcona



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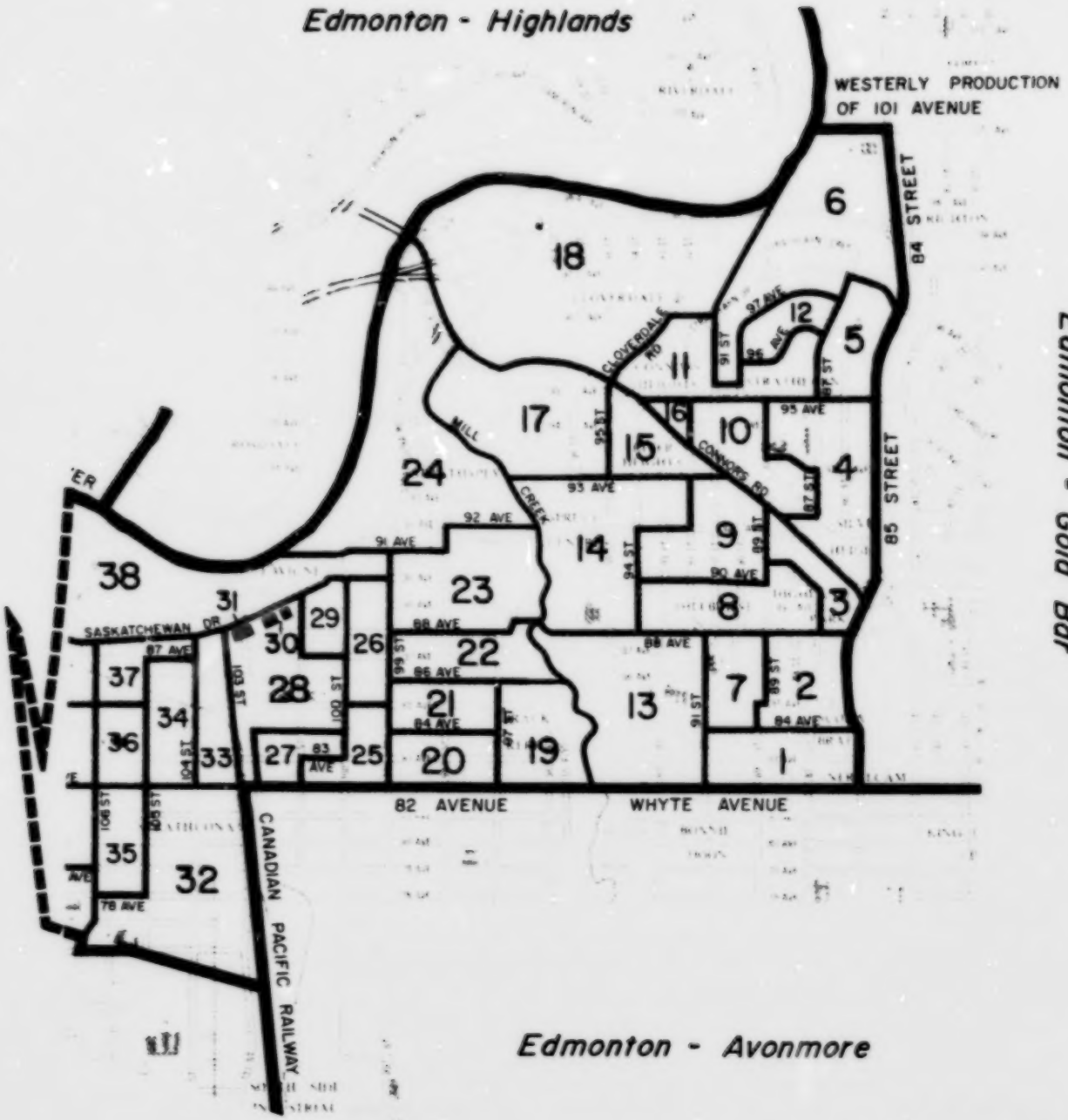
PROVINCIAL ELECTORAL DIVISION
As Defined by the Electoral Divisions Act 1985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Edmonton - Avonmore

Edmonton-Strathcona Special Enumeration
Financial Summary

Returning Officer:		
Fees	3,404.	
Travel	15.	
Office Rental, Miscellaneous and Transportation	769.	
Publishing	4,163.	
Printing	415.	
Map Reproduction	104.	8,870.
Enumerators:		
Fees		37,292.
Support Staff:		
Wages		232.
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (See "**Note**"):		
Electronic Production of Lists of Electors		2,955.
Total Cost of the Edmonton-Strathcona Special Enumeration		$49,349.

Note: All enumeration supplies were acquired from warehouse inventory on hand at the Office of the Chief Electoral Officer. These supplies were originally stocked for the 1988 General Enumeration; therefore, no costs have been allocated to this Special Enumeration.

Edmonton-Strathcona By-election
Financial Summary

Returning Officer:		
Fees	3,925.	
Travel	46.	
Office Rental, Telephone and Transportation	1,689.	
Publishing	13,102.	
Printing	3,026.	21,788.
Election Clerk:		
Fees	3,540.	
Travel	66.	3,606.
Supervisory Deputy Returning Officers:		
Fees		3,200.
Deputy Returning Officers:		
Fees		13,950.
Poll Clerks:		
Fees		8,000.
Support Staff:		
Wages		453.
Polling Place Rental:		3,145.
Office of the Chief Electoral Officer (See "Note"):		
Report Cost and Postage		1,059.
Total Cost of the Edmonton-Strathcona By-election		$55,201.

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